

**NOT APPROVED BY COUNCIL  
CHESTERFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
COUNTY COUNCIL MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING  
OCTOBER 1, 2008 ..... 9:00 A.M.**

**PRESENT:** Chairman J. Matthew Rivers, Vice-Chair Lenora V. Powe, Council Members: Gerald L. Miller, G. Franklin Plyler, Bruce E. Rivers, Anne Brumley, Kenneth A. Johnson, Robert G. Cole, Crawford Moore, Administrator J. Ronald Thurman, and Clerk to Council Michelle Sellers. Also attending the meeting were Cynthia Barnes from Chesterfield, Ruthie Tarlton from Cheraw, Kevin Thurman with E-911, R.P Presson with Teal's Mill Fire Department, Ralph Laney with DSS, Donna Rivers with Chesterfield County Council of Aging, and Rev. Samuel Sparks, III. There were others attending the meeting who did not sign the sign-in sheet.

**CALL TO ORDER AND PRAYER**

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers welcomed everyone and Council Member Powe asked Rev. Samuel Sparks, III to open the meeting with prayer.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers stated an amended item would be added as 9(d) Lease Purchase Ordinance – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading (by title only). Council Member Powe made a motion to adopt the October 1, 2008 Meeting agenda with approved changes. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers then stated that Council will need to go in to closed session to discuss personnel matters.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Council Member Miller made a motion to approve the September 3, 2008 regular Meeting minutes. Council Member Plyler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

**SIGNING OF BONDS, PAYROLL, AND AUTHORIZATIONS**

None

**APPOINTMENTS**

**a. The Honorable Sheriff Sam Parker**

The Honorable Sheriff Sam Parker appeared before Council to discuss the condition status of the Chesterfield County Animal Shelter and to make some recommendation and request of Council to help remedy some of the most pressing problems.

Sheriff Parker requested an additional employee to staff the animal shelter full time which will aid in the maintenance and adoption at the shelter.

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to staff an additional full time employee to aid in the maintenance and adoption at the animal shelter. Council Member Brumley seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

### **a. Cynthia Barnes, citizen of Chesterfield County (Resident of Sandy Plains Community)**

Ms. Barnes appeared before Council to address the county's zoning ordinance. Ms. Barnes stated that she had a temporary solution for the Zoning Ordinance. She recommended Council to hold all type of new waste facilities let in the county until Council could update their Zoning Ordinance.

### **b. Ruthie Tarlton, citizen of Chesterfield County (Cheraw area)**

Ms. Tarlton appeared before Council in reference to property in town limits of Cheraw owned by Representative Ted Vick. Ms. Tarlton wants the County to step in and solve problem with land purchased at tax sale and mortgage issue. Ms. Tarlton also mentioned the Tribute for our daughter's celebration to be held at the Theatre on the Green in Cheraw on October 11, 2008. She also asked Council to consider monies set aside for the help of college students in Chesterfield County to purchase one book for the college students. She asked that Council consider this in their budget for next year.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

## **ORDINANCE READINGS AND RESOLUTIONS**

### **a. Aircraft Assessment Reduction Ordinance – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to pass 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

### **b. Carolinas Centre Industrial park Agreement – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

Council Member Moore made a motion to pass 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. Council Member Brumley seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

### **c. Joint Industrial Park Agreement – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

Council Member Miller made a motion to pass 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

### **d. Lease Purchase Ordinance – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading (by title only)**

Council Member Powe made a motion to pass 1<sup>st</sup> reading by title only. Council Member Cole seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **a. Finance/Building Committee Chairs Moore/Plyler**

Council Member Moore and Plyler requested that this item be placed on the agenda to bring Council up to date regarding the status of the developments concerning the DSS Building and the proposed Administration Building. There is a scheduled meeting with DSS on October 16, 2008 and everything is moving forward.

**b. Road Committee Report – Committee Chair Lenora Powe**

Council Member Powe updated Council on the recent meeting with the Dennis Corporation regarding the paving process now being used to offset the high cost of asphalt paving.

**ITEMS SUBMITTED BY COUNCIL**

**a. Town of Chesterfield Request – Council Member Brumley**

Council Member Brumley requested this item be brought before Council. Ms. Brumley received a request from the Town of Chesterfield regarding the construction of an outdoor stage on County property east of the Library in Chesterfield. The stage will be built so it could be easily removed should the County ever need the property for other things.

Council Member Brumley made a motion to approve the town's request. Council Member Powe seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

**ITEMS SUBMITTED BY STAFF**

None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**a. RE-911 Hardware/Software Upgrade – Administrator Thurman**

It has been approximately 5 (five) years since the implementation of our current E-911 system. As reported some year ago by Mr. Carnes, the system is beginning to experience hardware failure problems and software version issues regarding new enhancements.

The cost for the upgrading is \$213,728.49. The good news is that the State will pay \$178,374.21 of this cost and leave the County with an out of pocket expense of only \$35,354.28. However, since our updated software would provide a much more accurate accounting of cell phone calls placed to E-911, our additional State payment on each of these calls will help offset the one time out of pocket expense of they system.

Council Member Johnson made a motion to approve the proposal for the upgrade of the E-911 system. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

**b. Forward of Proposed Zoning Amendment to Planning Commision – Administrator Thurman**

Due to the recent changes in the law as to how DHEC governs certain permitting requirements there are some amendments necessary to the Zoning Ordinance. It is Council's roll in this to first submit this document to the Planning Commission for consideration and recommendations. If there is no response within 30 days, Council may act on first reading for the documents.

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to send the proposed documents to the Planning Commission. Council Member Miller seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

**c. County Property Behind Tec/ Cheraw Rural Fire Contract**

Chairman Rivers requested that this item be placed on the agenda in response to a letter received from the Town of Cheraw regarding first refusal on the property. Chairman Rivers has been speaking with the Mayor of Cheraw and it is his understanding that the County either has to get into the recreation business or transfer the property to someone who will do that. It is also a concern of the Mayor that the property is within the Cheraw Fire District area. Chairman Rivers had some concerns about transferring that property. Chairman Rivers is hoping that next month will be able to come back with something in writing.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Crawford Moore**

Jazz Festival in Cheraw October 16 & 17

**Bruce E. Rivers**

Bridge Dedication tomorrow at 4:00 p.m. in the multi-purpose building

**Anne Brumley**

Would like to publicly compliment Cherry McCoy on her exhibit

**Lenora V. Powe**

Jazz Festival in Cheraw

**Gerald L. Miller**

None

**Kenneth A. Johnson**

None

**George Franklin Plyler**

None

**J. Matthew Rivers**

None

**Robert G. Cole**

None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers recommended Council enter into Executive Session in accordance with S.C. Law, Section 30-4-70 of the S. C. Code of Laws, to discuss personnel matters.

Council Member Johnson made a motion to enter Executive Session. Council Member Plyler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

Council Member Bruce E. Rivers made a motion to exit Executive Session. Council Member Johnson seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

**REGULAR SESSION**

Chairman J. Matthew Rivers reported Council is back in regular session. No action was taken in executive Session.

Council Member Johnson made a motion to pass 1<sup>st</sup> reading to postpone the implementation of reassessment for a period of one year. Council Member Plyler seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

**ADJOURN**

Council Member Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Bruce E. Rivers seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion was unanimous.

**APPROVED:**

**ATTEST:**

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J. MATTHEW RIVERS, CHAIRMAN

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MICHELLE SELLERS  
CLERK TO COUNCIL

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_